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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated September 21, 2006, for which a response is initially due on or before December 21, 2006. Accordingly, an extension of time in which to respond is requested and the requisite fee accompanies this response. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.